

Pension Application for John I. [or J] Pulver

W.16381 (Widow: Ann) Married September or October 1784 or 1785. John died October 8, 1836. Two children are named. Catharine born 26 Sept. 1788, parents John Pulver, Ann Busine. The second John born 20 Sept 1790, Parents John Pulver Anna Busne. Ann's name spelled both ways.

State of New York

County of Rensselaer SS.

On this ninth day of October AD 1832, personally appeared in open court, before the Court of Common Pleas of the said County of Rensselaer, now sitting John J. Pulver, a resident of the town of Schodack, in said County and State, aged eighty years; who being first duly sworn, according to law, doth on his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June 7th 1832.

That he entered the service of the United States under the following named officers, and served as herein stated.

That he was born on the Livingston Manor, in the State of New York on the 17th Dec'r 1757, he has no record of his age. In September 1776, while living on the Manor of Robert Livingstone, he was drafted for three months in Captain James Robinson's Company; under command of Col. Peter R. Livingston; he marched in said company to White Plains and was there present at the battle fought there in the last of October. After that battle the troops retreated a little above Fort Washington; he was there in service til Fort Washington was taken; soon after which, having served out his three months, he was discharged; he had a written discharge, but has since lost it.

He then went home and in May of the following volunteered, with Captain Coonradt Clyne in a company of which Peter Pulver was Lt under the command of Major Samuel Tenbroeck; with them he marched to Fort George; and was there under Genl Philip Schuyler; and afterwards under Genl Gates and was with him; at the time of Burgoyne's surrender in Oct 1777, after that he went with the one half of the militia who were sent down the Hudson River, not meet the British; he went to Rhinebeck, whence the militia returned north.

At Rhinebeck he was discharged in November, having served six months, he received no written discharge. He knows of no living witnesses that he could procure; & has nod documentary evidence to produce. After the Revolution he lived on Livingston Manor till about 1790; then at Schodack about eight years; then at Charleston on the Mohawk more than a year; then at Carlisle, (Schoharie County), about two years; and ever since at Schodack. He is so infirm that he cannot attend church and the clergyman of his parish is a young man, and but lately settled; and does not know the declarant. He is well known to Obadiah Green Junior & Abiel Buckman, of Schodack, who can testify as to his character for veracity; and as to his reputation of having served in the Revolutionary War.

He hereby relinquishes every claim whatever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state. (Signed with his mark) John J. Pulver

Sworn and subscribed the day and year aforesaid. Archibald Bull, Clerk